

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, April 17, 2008 – 0800 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (April 11 – April 16)**

Initial attack activity: Light (848 new fires)  
 New large fires: 37 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 29  
 Uncontained large fires: 12  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3  
 Fire Use Teams committed: 0

\*\* Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. \*\*

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

On April 15, two firefighters from the Olney Springs Volunteer Fire Department were fatally injured on the Ordway fire near Ordway, CO. On the same day a single engine air tanker owned by Aero Applications, Inc., crashed while engaged in fire suppression operations on the TA-25 fire near Colorado Springs, CO. The pilot was fatally injured. The firefighting community extends condolences to the families and friends of the deceased.

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 14  
 New large fires: 7  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**TA-25**, Fort Carson FD. IMT 2 (Blume). Seventeen miles southwest Colorado Springs, CO. Grass. Short interior runs with isolated torching.

**Snakeweed**, Fort Carson FD. Twenty-six miles southwest of La Junta, CO. Smoldering. No further information received.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* TA-25	CO	FCQ	8,700	---	40	4/18	75	---	1	17	0	0	NR	DOD
* Snakeweed	CO	FCQ	1,272	---	50	UNK	33	---	0	7	0	0	NR	DOD
* Ordway Crowley CO	CO	CWX	8,900	---	100	---	35	---	0	15	0	44	150K	CNTY
* Kiowa	KS	KSX	4,000	---	100	---	60	---	0	20	0	0	17K	CNTY
* Maxwell Pasture	KS	KSX	2,000	---	100	---	50	---	0	14	0	0	14K	CNTY



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1053	TX	TXS	2,500	0	100	---	0	-31	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* County Line	TX	TXS	1,000	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Stafney Ranch	TX	TXS	832	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Whitworth Ranch	TX	TXS	450	0	100	---	0	-14	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Skip	TX	BRR	350	0	100	---	0	-16	0	0	0	4	6.0K	FWS
* Blue Gate	TX	TXS	323	---	100	---	9	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Doe Mtn	TN	TNS	260	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Thursday	TN	CNF	255	0	100	---	32	-7	1	0	0	0	169K	FS
* Lick Branch	KY	KYS	250	---	100	---	20	---	1	1	0	0	NR	PRI
Collins Hwy	KY	KYS	212	0	100	---	0	-18	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Camp Branch	KY	KYS	200	---	100	---	16	---	1	1	0	0	NR	PRI
* New Life	TN	TNS	160	---	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* 359	TX	TXS	150	---	100	---	0	-13	0	3	0	0	NR	PRI
* Road Creek	KY	KYS	142	---	100	---	16	---	1	2	0	0	NR	PRI
* Left Fork Dry Branch	KY	KYS	135	---	100	---	20	---	2	2	0	0	NR	PRI
* Red Bluff	MS	MSS	120	---	100	---	8	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST

CNF - Cherokee NF

KYS - Kentucky DOF

TNS - Tennessee DOF

BRR - Brazoria NWR

**Southwest Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 35  
 New large fires: 4  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Center Peak**, Socorro District, New Mexico State Forestry. Twelve miles west of Animas, NM. Short grass. Upslope runs.

**Kansas Settlement**, Tucson District, Arizona State. Thirteen miles southeast of Cochise, AZ Grass. Spotting.

**Trigo**, Cibola NF. Eighteen miles east of Belen, NM. IMT 2 (Cowie). Hardwood litter. Communications towers threatened. No further information received.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Center Peak	NM	N3S	1,760	---	0	UNK	208	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Kansas Settlement	AZ	A3S	300	---	25	4/17	61	---	1	8	3	2	100K	ST
* Trigo	NM	CIF	300	100	0	4/23	335	127	9	5	3	0	175K	FS
* Bounds Rd	NM	CAD	2,037	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM

CAD – Carlsbad Field Office, BLM

### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 1)

New fires: 2  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Swanson Loop	ID	FHA	280	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	BIA

FHA - Fort Hall Agency, BIA

### Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 207  
 New large fires: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Beasley Hollow**, Mark Twain NF. Five miles east of Bixby, MO. Hardwood litter and slash. Running fire with spotting.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Beasley Hollow	MO	MTF	170	---	15	UNK	13	---	0	1	0	0	NR	FS
* Pig Barn	MN	MNS	640	---	100	---	20	---	0	8	0	0	NR	PRI
* Realty	MN	MNS	640	---	100	---	10	---	0	3	0	0	NR	PRI

MNS – Minnesota DNR

### Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)

New fires: 35  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Eddy 1	ND	FTA	2,400	---	100	---	51	---	0	15	0	0	NR	BIA

FTA – Fort Totten Agency, BIA

## Southern California Area (PL 1)

New fires: 39  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
* Dos Palmas	CA	RRU	380	---	100	---	24	---	1	2	0	0	NR	ST

RRU – Riverside Unit, CAL FIRE

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Dry and windy conditions will continue today across western Texas, portions of New Mexico, and the Lower Colorado River Valley. Increased winds in combination with low relative humidity will also impact portions of Montana. Dry conditions will develop across the Southeast today as well. Improving conditions are expected across the nation on Friday with another round of strong gusty winds and low relative humidity for west Texas, the Southwest, and extending into the southern Great Basin this weekend into early next week.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

### **UNFAMILIAR WITH WEATHER AND LOCAL FACTORS INFLUENCING FIRE BEHAVIOR**

- Can you ask questions of local experts? What kinds of questions would you ask?
- Does the operational period plan give you adequate weather and information? What kinds of weather forecasts can you get? What other weather or local information do you look for in the shift plan?
- Can you get information from resources that have been on the fire? What questions will you ask of the crew that you are replacing?
- Is there any other way to obtain information? List common sources of information on weather and local factors.
- To reduce risks:
  - Base all actions on current and expected fire behavior.
  - Post lookouts.
  - Establish escape routes and safety zones.
  - Take extra caution! Discuss a fire where you relied on information from the local unit (perhaps where your fire knowledge and experience was very different from how they did things—Southeast or Alaska).

### Fires and Acres (April 12 – April 16)

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	5				3		8
	ACRES	28				1		29
Northern California	FIRES						12	12
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES					36	3	39
	ACRES					11	1	12
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23		1		9	2	35
	ACRES	174		75		771	4	1,024
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1				1		2
	ACRES	350				0		350
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1		1	4		6
	ACRES		0		0	3		3
Southwest	FIRES	10				15	10	35
	ACRES	31				2,430	355	2,816
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					14		14
	ACRES					5,443		5,443
Eastern Area	FIRES	21				171	15	207
	ACRES	28				358	230	616
Southern Area	FIRES	15		16	1	440	18	490
	ACRES	1,968		1,716	0	34,394	387	38,465
TOTAL	FIRES	75	1	17	2	693	60	848
	ACRES	2,579	0	1,791	0	43,411	977	48,758

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					16		16
	ACRES					230		230
Northwest	FIRES	15		1		10	1	27
	ACRES	133		1,396		3	3	1,535
Northern California	FIRES				1	2	13	16
	ACRES				0	3,209	2	3,211
Southern California	FIRES		16			288	34	338
	ACRES		42			905	22	969
Northern Rockies	FIRES	81	1	5		22	21	130
	ACRES	4,085	4	1,936		4,972	260	11,257
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	4		3	6		14
	ACRES	350	0		5	13		368
Western Great Basin	FIRES		12		3	4		19
	ACRES		17		1	3		21
Southwest	FIRES	86	40	3	20	213	59	421
	ACRES	479	11,211	24	222	157,545	4,798	174,279
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	65	1	4	1	112	3	186
	ACRES	527	295	8	0	24,685	2	25,517
Eastern Area	FIRES	36		2	6	1,339	64	1,447
	ACRES	71		1	206	10,269	965	11,512
Southern Area	FIRES	750		140	18	10,772	197	11,877
	ACRES	50,556		11,403	363	834,129	17,431	913,882
TOTAL	FIRES	1,034	74	155	52	12,784	392	14,491
	ACRES	56,201	11,569	14,768	797	1,035,963	23,483	1,142,781

<b>Eight Year Average Fires</b>	<b>19,139</b>
<b>Eight Year Average Acres</b>	<b>732,294</b>

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**Prescribed Fires and Acres (April 12 – April 16)**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	2	2				3	7
	ACRES	221	160				190	571
Northern California	FIRES	1		0			5	6
	ACRES	44		2,775			305	3,124
Southern California	FIRES		1		0		33	34
	ACRES		110		1,050		1,133	2,293
Northern Rockies	FIRES		2	3			11	16
	ACRES		400	384			700	1,484
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES			1			2	3
	ACRES			10			218	228
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				0		6	6
	ACRES				6		880	886
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	2			4	2	9
	ACRES	260	17			381	110	768
Eastern Area	FIRES					62	7	69
	ACRES					1,836	7,561	9,397
Southern Area	FIRES			4	1	14	59	78
	ACRES			718	1,683	11,880	74,071	88,352
TOTAL	FIRES	4	7	8	1	80	128	228
	ACRES	525	687	3,887	2,739	14,097	85,168	107,103

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	2	21	2			32	57
	ACRES	221	3,222	1,600			941	5,984
Northern California	FIRES	24	14	8	2		64	112
	ACRES	391	113	12,694	4		2,095	15,297
Southern California	FIRES		3	2	0		108	113
	ACRES		118	137	1,050		2,278	3,583
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	9	5			28	43
	ACRES	40	1,595	3,654			1,139	6,428
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	14	1	2	4	14	36
	ACRES	150	1,968	10	47	28	498	2,701
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1	1	20		1	23
	ACRES		11	5	0		225	241
Southwest	FIRES	13	9	1	5		110	138
	ACRES	1,408	12,785	280	98		27,540	42,111
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	16	16	48	5	17	82	184
	ACRES	1,376	575	6,079	154	2,800	21,142	32,126
Eastern Area	FIRES	10		50	2	347	28	437
	ACRES	26,042		4,176	30	24,632	17,196	72,076
Southern Area	FIRES	18		102	50	289	716	1,175
	ACRES	13,852		43,022	31,377	175,337	714,149	977,737
TOTAL	FIRES	85	87	220	86	657	1,183	2,318
	ACRES	43,480	20,387	71,657	32,760	202,797	787,203	1,158,284

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**WFU Fires and Acres Year-to-Date**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	128						128
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						70	70
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	128	0	0	0	0	70	198

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